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# REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION OR DIVISION OF AN INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION

| DOCKET NUMBER | ANTICIPATED CLASSIFICATION OF THIS APPLICATION |          | PRIOR APPLICATION EXAMINER | ART UNIT |
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This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior international application Number PCT/EP99/03175, filed on 5/10/99, entitled Knife Holder for a Microtome, which designated the United States.

Note: 37 CFR 1.53(d) cannot be used to file a continuation or divisional application of an international application which has not entered the national stage.

| CLAIMS   | (1) FOR | (2) NUMBER FILED | (3) NUMBER EXTRA | (4) RATE   | (5) CALCULATIONS |
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| TOTAL CLAIMS<br>(37 CFR 1.16(c))                           | 10      | - 20 =           |                  | x \$ _____ =   | \$ _____         |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))                        | 1       | - 3 =            |                  | x \$ _____ =   |                  |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d)) |         |                  |                  | + \$ _____ =   |                  |
|  |         |                  |                  | BASIC FEE<br>(37 CFR 1.16(a))                                  | + 710            |
|  |         |                  |                  | Total of above Calculations =                                  | 710              |
|  |         |                  |                  | Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.27) |                  |
|  |         |                  |                  | Total =  | 710              |

- Enclosed are the specification, claims and drawing(s).
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☒ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☐ Application Data Sheet is enclosed. See 37 CFR 1.76.
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This application is a ☐ continuation ☐ division of international application number PCT\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, (status, abandoned, pending, etc.)."

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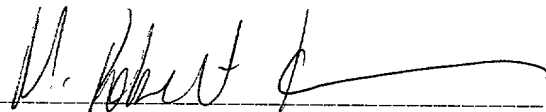
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8. ☒ A declaration under 37 CFR 1.63 is enclosed.
9. ☒ Priority of foreign application number DE 198 24 024.4, filed on May 29, 1998 in Germany  
is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d).  
☐ The certified copy is enclosed.
10. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
11. ☒ Also enclosed: Assignment and General Authorization to Charge Deposit Account  
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- ☐ Inventor(s)/Applicant(s)
- ☐ Assignee of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).
- ☒ Attorney or agent of record
- ☐ Filed under 37 CFR 1.34(a)  
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) \_\_\_\_\_.

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below\*.

☐ \*Total of \_\_\_\_\_ forms are submitted